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SEBJECT: SLC CONTROVESEY CONTINUES

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1. ACCORDING ZAMBIAN PRESS, NEWLY-NAMED CHAIRMAN OF THE ZIMBABWE LIBERATION COUNCIL, NDABANINGI SITHOLE, RESPONDED TO ZAPU DENUNCIATION OF ZLC BY ACCUSING FOUR FORMER ZAPU OFFICIALS OF TRYING TO WRECK UNITY OF ANC AND OF SEEKING ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH RHODESIAN GOVERNMENT ON SMITH S TERMS. ALSO BRANDED THE FOUR -- JASON MOYO, EDWARD NDLOVU, GEORGE SILUNDIKA, AND JANE NGWENYA -- REACTIONARIES, COUNTER-REVOLUTIONARY, AND LEADERS OF A PAROCHIAL AND CHAUVINISTIC ORGANIZATION.

2. SITHOLE DEFENDS RIGHT OF ANC CHAIRMAN MUZOREWA TO VETO HOLDING OF ANC CONGRESS LAST JUNE (AS STRONGLY ADVOCATED BY ZAPU WING) AS WELL AS HIS AUTHORITY TO FORM ZIC. ARGUES THAT ZLC IS NOT IN FACT NEW BODY AS CHARGED BY ZAPU BUT STEMS FROM DECEMBER 1974 MERGER AGREEMENT CREATING ANC EXTERNAL WING AND WAS APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE BY ANC CENTRAL COMMITTEE. NOTED THAT

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ALL EX-ZAPU MEMBERS HAD PARTICIPATED IN ITS ACTIVITIES FOR PAST

NINE MONTHS, INCLUDING FOUR WHO ARE NOW ATTACKING ZLC.

3. FROM SALISBURY ANC PUBLICITY SECRETARY EDSON SITHOLE (EX-ZANU) ALSO JOINED IN ATTACK ON ZAPU, CHARGING THAT LATTER WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ANC NATIONAL EXECUTIVE, WHICH IS DOMINATED BY ZAPU-CONTROLLED FORMER PEOPLE S CARETAKER COUNCIL, ELECT ZAPU MAN AS ZLC CHAIRMAN IN PLACE OF SITHOLE. EDSON SITHOLE IN TURN WAS CHALLENGED BY ANC YOUTH SECRETARY SYLVESTER BGONIN WHO ACCUSED MUZOREWA OF VIOLATING EARLIER NATIONAL EXECUTIVE RULING THAT BARS MEMBERS OF NATIONA EXCUTIVE INCLUDING SITHOLE AND CHIKEREMA FROM SERVING ON ZLC.

4. IN EFFORT CONTAIN SPREADING CONTROVERSEY ANC VICE PRESIDENT GABELLAH IN SALISBURY REPORTEDLY HAS CALLED FOR SEPTEMBER 21 MEETING OF NATIONAL EXCUTIVE TO RESOLVE MATTER.
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